

Application No.: 09/318105  
Art Unit 2123

Docket No.: PAS-094RCE

REMARKS

Applicants have submitted a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) herewith requesting the consideration and entry of Applicants previously filed (October 28, 2003) but unentered amendments. In additional response to the Advisory Action mailed November 12, 2003 (paper #12), Applicants submit the below remarks.

The 35 U.S.C. §112 rejection was addressed in the previous amendment by the deletion of the objected to limitation (See page 7 of Applicants October 28, 2003 Amendment).

Support for the term "programmatically" can be found throughout the original specification which describes the integration of output data from an External Application Program (EAP) into a CAD model in a CAD package. Literal examples of support in the specification include but are not limited to page 2, lines 8-9 "*The data is automatically transferred by calling the external program without a user request*", page 2, lines 13-14, "*The output data is automatically updated by calling the EAP without a user request*", page 2, lines 19-20, "*the CAD program calls the EAP when the data in the model to and from the EAP needs updating as a result of changes to the model*" [emphasis added], page 3, lines 30-32, "*the data inside the model that is computed by the EAP is automatically updated when the model is updated, without the user making explicit commands to update the data computed by the EAP*". The Examiner's attention is also directed to original claims 8, 10, 15 and 24 as well as the Abstract, lines 8-9, "*the CAD program calls a callback that results from the registration of the the EAP with the CAD program.*" If the CAD program is initiating an action automatically without user intervention, the action is happening "programmatically". Changes to the CAD model trigger the programmatic action of updating the model.

Applicants believe the remaining rejections are addressed in the previous Amendment of October 28, 2003 and that each of the presently pending claims 1-26 in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.


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Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 12-0080, under Order No. PAS-094RCE from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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